

KOSTA BROWNE®



2021 APPELLATION SERIES

Our Appellation Series wines are inspired by a quest to capture the essence of California's finest Pinot Noir and Chardonnay growing regions. From Anderson Valley in the north to the Sta. Rita Hills down south, these selections are artfully crafted by blending individual vineyards and blocks most expressive of their AVA. As the bellwether for the phenomenal quality of the 2021 vintage, each new release is a testament to the expertise of our team and these distinguished winegrowing sites.



2021 One-Sixteen Russian River Valley Chardonnay

The collection of famous Chardonnay vineyards that we work with along the famous Route 116 is in the coolest and most sought-after areas of the Russian River Valley. Individual pressed lots were all 100% native primary and malolactic fermentations, which adds depth and complexity to the finished wine. From its rich yet lean structure to vivid notes of citrus and honeysuckle, the 2021 One-Sixteen Chardonnay has vivacious acidity with a bright and lingering finish.

Vineyards: Winner's Circle, Zio Tony Ranch, Lone Oak, Heintz, Ritchie, Keefer Ranch, Bootlegger's Hill, El Diablo



2021 Sta. Rita Hills Pinot Noir

The Sta. Rita Hills is located on the Central Coast in Santa Barbara County. Though one of the smaller AVAs in California, it is celebrated worldwide as an acclaimed cool-climate growing region for Pinot Noir.

The purely East/West maritime mouth that funnels cooling coastal fog and wind to the vines makes this area truly unique. As a result, Pinot Noir from this region characteristically has beautiful natural acidity balanced by complex structure and concentrated flavors.

Vineyards: Mt. Carmel, Rita's Crown, Bentrack, Radian, John Sebastiano, Sanford & Benedict, Drum Canyon, Lady of Guadalupe, Peake Ranch



2021 Anderson Valley Pinot Noir

Sixty-five miles north of our winery in Sebastopol, CA, is the critically-acclaimed AVA of Anderson Valley, located in Mendocino County. Lying 10-15 miles from the Pacific Ocean, the region is prone to wide diurnal temperature variation, which enables the grapes to ripen with impressive balance.

To capture the rustic beauty of this region and retain freshness, the wine was fermented predominantly in stainless steel, further creating a striking Pinot Noir. Intense aromas of black cherry, cranberry, and blueberry are enhanced by the expansively layered palate and uplifting acidity. A signature Kosta Browne Pinot Noir.

Vineyards: Cerise, Knez, Demuth, Gowan Creek



2021 Russian River Valley Pinot Noir

There are many differences between vineyards in this small appellation, but the majority of them share a common influence – the cooling effect that follows the Russian River inland from the Pacific coast. We have been fortunate to work with vineyards that span a diverse and varied view into a region that many would call the heartland of California Pinot Noir. No matter the vintage, there are often fresh red fruit characteristics, a recognizably full mouthfeel, and lively texture to the wines from the area—a common thread to the components of this blend.

Vineyards: Bootlegger's Hill, Giusti Ranch, Keefer Ranch, Winner's Circle, Zio Tony Ranch, Moonshine Ranch, Jenkins, Sundawg Ridge



2021 Sonoma Coast Pinot Noir

The Sonoma Coast is the largest appellation in Sonoma County, overlapping with the Russian River Valley in many places, and is similarly shaped by the ocean. Local geology can be complex, a direct result of being located on two tectonic plates.

We find ourselves drawn to vineyards that are particularly influenced by the Pacific Ocean and are fortunate to work with some spectacular sites. Together, they form a singular wine that is distinctively Sonoma Coast with enticing aromas of ripe blue fruit, layered acidity, and a powerful finish.

Vineyards: Treehouse, Thorn Ridge, Gap's Crown, Marshall Ranch, Pratt, Balletto, Mardikian, Winner's Circle

